

# CDI Clinical Scenario 7

**CLINICAL DOCUMENTATION IMPROVEMENT:**

*An Introduction Into The Field of CDI*

**MARS**  
MEDICAL AUDIT RESOURCE SERVICES, INC.

**Physical Examination:**  
Vitals: HEIGHT / LENGTH: 5' 3"  
WEIGHT: 144 lbs 0 oz

Date of Service:

BMI: 25.5  
PULSE: 78  
B/P Left Arm Sitting 94/58

Constitutional:	Patient is pleasant and in no apparent distress who looks given age.
Respiratory:	Normal respiratory effort
Cardiovascular:	Distal pulses and capillary refill are intact
Skin:	No rashes, lesions, or pressure ulcers.
Psychiatric:	Oriented x 3, age-appropriate affect.

**Focused Examination:**

**GENERAL:** The patient is awake, alert, and oriented times three and does not appear depressed  
**HEAD/NECK:** The patient has normal cervical spine motion, symmetrical and supple without muscle spasm. ocular movements are normal, without diplopia. Hearing is normal to conversation and Speech is normal.  
**UPPER EXTREMITIES:** The right upper extremity has good shoulder internal and external rotation at the glenohumeral joint without instability. There is normal rotator cuff and deltoid strength. There is no deformity or skin abnormality. The right elbow has good flexion and extension with normal triceps and biceps strength without elbow medial or lateral instability. The left upper extremity has normal shoulder internal and external rotation at the glenohumeral joint without instability. There is normal deltoid and rotator cuff strength. Normal sensation over the deltoid area. There is no shoulder deformity and the skin is without lesion. The left elbow has good flexion and extension with normal biceps and triceps strength without medial or lateral instability. There is normal forearm rotation with normal pronation and supination of the left and right arms. Both hands have good color grip strength and sensation.  
**SPINE:** Normal sagittal and coronal alignment without paravertebral muscle spasm.  
**CHEST:** clear with unlabored breathing.  
**ABDOMEN:** Soft without tenderness.  
Examination of her right lower extremity reveals that the hip is good internal/external rotation. The thigh is soft the knee has normal range of motion without effusion. The calf is soft examination of foot reveals that there is complete gangrene of the great toe all the way back to the metatarsal pharyngeal joint. There is some surrounding redness. She has weak pulses to the foot. The foot overall however it is warm. On the left side she has normal range of motion at the hip knee and ankle. She does have some healing ulcers on the heel on that side

**Studies:**

**Diagnosis:** Gangrene right great toe, diabetes, peripheral vascular disease  
E13.52-Other specified diabetes mellitus with diabetic peripheral angiopathy with gangrene  
I73.9-Peripheral vascular disease, unspecified

**Plan:**

I explained to the patient that she has complete necrosis of the toe with some surrounding erythema consistent with infection although this is been going on for some time I think it is somewhat urgent to proceed with an amputation of the great toe and part of the first ray in order to be able to close this. However we may need to do this in 2 stages because of the acute infection. Her to put her on antibiotics and proceed with surgery the day after tomorrow. Informed consent was obtained no guarantees were given I explained to her the significant risks of higher level amputation suspicion of people in her situation with her history of diabetes and peripheral vascular disease.

**Prescription:** No data for Prescription

<b>History and Physical Update</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Changes (H&P was reviewed and the patient was examined. No changes have occurred in the patient's condition since the H&P was completed) or		
<input type="checkbox"/> Changes as Follows (H&P was reviewed and the patient was examined. Changes are as noted.):		
Date	Time	Signature and Title
10/13		

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Patient Name:  
FIN:  
DOB/Age/Sex  
MRN:  
Location:  
Client Name:  
Provider:  
Consulting:

Case #:  
Collected:  
Received:  
Deliver to:

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## SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REPORT

### Diagnosis

Right great toe, amputation -  
cutaneous ulceration with acute inflammation and necrosis of soft tissue;  
focal acute osteomyelitis;  
the surgical margin of resection appears viable and free of osteomyelitis.

Pathologist (Electronic Signature)

HDH 10/21/2015  
Performing Location:

### Microscopic Examination

Cutaneous ulceration is present with necrosis of the underlying soft tissue. The interface between the necrotic and viable tissue contains a band of neutrophils. The epidermis adjacent to the ulcer is hyperplastic and hyperkeratotic, with focal ischemic changes. Sections of bone show necrosis, regeneration, and acute inflammation, evidence of acute osteomyelitis.

### Gross Examination

Received in a container of formalin labeled with the name of the patient and "right great toe" is a 4.8 x 2.8 x 2.6 cm digit resected at the metatarsophalangeal joint. Approximately 85% of the skin surface has a deep green-black gangrenous appearance. This lesion grossly comes within 0.2 cm of the nearest surgical margin on the dorsal aspect. The specimen also has marked skin slippage and the inter-pharyngeal joint is frozen. The surgical margin is inked blue.

Representative sections are submitted in 3 cassettes for microscopic examination.

#### Block Summary:

A1-surgical margin nearest lesion; A2-sagittal section proximal half (submitted for decal); A3-sagittal section distal half (submitted for decal)

Grossing performed at:

CM /CM

### Specimen

Right great toe

### Pertinent History

Encounter # M000355067

Preop Diagnosis: None provided

Postop Diagnosis: Gangrenous right great toe

Clinical History: None provided

Authorization is hereby given to dispense the  
generic or chemical equivalent unless  
otherwise indicated by the words  
**NO SUBSTITUTE**



**STAT / NOW**

Nurse's  
signature,  
date and  
time orders  
noted

10/19

11:30 PM

- ARTNO
- 1) Home
  - 2) Walker - NON W B on (R)
  - 3) No Dressing Lc, Keep clean & dry
  - 4) Encourage elevation of foot
  - 5) Script & 2
  - 6) Resume Home Meds

7) Plu c me next Tuesday - Call for Appt.

DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS LIST: U, IU, QD, QOD, X O, O X, MB, MS04, and MgSO

Physician Signature / Date / Time and Printed Name / Credentials must be done with all orders



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10/15  
1:45P

OR TWO POSTOP

- 1) To floor VS routine, O2-21 NC
- 2) 2400 Cal ADA diet
- 3) Bedrest & BR P only & Walker
- 4) Elevate (12) foot - NONWB
- 5) PT to see
- 6) Reinforce dressing prn
- 7) Ancef - 1 g IV q 8h x 2 doses
- 8) Morphine 2-8 mg IV q 2h prn pain
- 9) Norco 7.5/325 i-tips q 4h
- 10) Zofran 6 mg IV q 6h prn
- 11) Pepto 15 mg po q 15 min
- 12) Resume Home Diet
- 13) Aspirin - 81 mg po q day

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NOTE: PT NOT IN

COMPUTER CPOE

10/15 - 2P

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Shift Chart

10/16/15 0210



PHYSICIAN ORDER